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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
Seidman and Théorêt

Serial No.: 09/288,344

Filed: April 8, 1999

For: METHODS OF OPTIMIZING  
DRUG THERAPEUTIC EFFICACY  
FOR TREATMENT OF  
IMMUNE-MEDIATED  
GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS

) Group Art Unit: 1623

) Examiner: L. Crane

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Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 4, 1999,  
entry of the following amendments and consideration of the  
following remarks is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENTS**

In the claims:

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Please add the following new claims.

Sub B7  
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--35. (New) A method of optimizing therapeutic  
efficacy and reducing toxicity associated with 6-mercaptopurine  
drug treatment of an immune-mediated gastrointestinal disorder,  
comprising:

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